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June 1954 #4597

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 3-23-67

Call letters W K A U

Station location Kaukauna, Wisconsin

FORWARD COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION (AL 6-28-74 EFF: 7-2-74)

Name of licensee x FOX RIVER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Transmitter location 1765 Block Road, Buchanan, Wisconsin (L-3-23-67)
x On Town Rd., 2.5 mi. Sw Kaukauna Business District, Buchanan, Wisconsin

Main studio location Same as transmitter (BP 2-10-65) L 3-23-67

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BP-14773	2-10-65	1050kc	1kw-DA-D	Day	4-10 10-10-65
	CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'1)				
BL-11,096	3-23-67	1050kc	1kw-DA-D	Day	3-23 12-1-67
	Lic to cover CP(BP-14,773) which auth a new standard b/c station, specify type trans COLLINS 20V-3				
BTC-5454	10-20-67	Voluntary acquisition of ^{positive} control of lic			
eff. 10-25-67					
BR-4597	11-24-67	Renewal	of License		12-1 12-1-70
BS-4597(1)	6-1-70	ModLic.	chg. ant.sys. &	oper.specs.	
PSA	11-23-70	455 watts			
BR-4597 (L)	11-25-70	Renewal			12-1-73
BTC-6699	12-6-71	VOL. TC	EFF: 12-27-71		
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-4597(L)	11-28-73	RENEWAL			12-1-76
BAL-8163	6-28-74	VOL. AL	EFF: 7-2-74		
BS-4597(L)	9-17-74	ML to replace antenna monitor			12-1-76
BR-4597(S)	11-23-76	RENEWAL			12-1-79
BR790801ZQ(S)	11-30-79	Renewal of License			12-1-82

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Name FOX RIVER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
KAUKAUNA, WISCONSIN (P.O. Richard D. Dudley, Box 29, Wausau, Wisconsin)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-14,773 Rec'd 4-4-61 Filed 4-4-61	3-17-61	CP for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1050kc Power - 1kw DA-D Hours of operation - Daytime Trans. location - On Town Road, 2.5 mi. SW Kaukauna Business District Buchanan, Wisconsin Studio location - Same as transmitter Atty.- McKenna & Wilkinson Eng.- Charles E. Brennan, Milwaukee, Wis.	GRANTED Cond'l re: Phase Mon., Field meas. equip., DA & complete non-DA proof.	2-10-65
BL-11,096 Rec'd Filed	9/3/65 9/3/65 9/3/65	Lic. to Cover CP(BP-14773) which auth. a new standard b/c station, specify type trans. as COLLINS 20-V-3. ATTYS-McKenna & Wilkinson	GRANTED	3-23-67

COLLINS 20V

FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955 #2

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KAUKAUNA, WISCONSIN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4597 R & F	8-4-67 9-5-67	Renewal of license Atty. David S. Stevens	GRANTED	11-24-67
OCT 3 1967 ETC-5454 R & F (Form 316)	9-28-67 10-2-67	Voluntary acquisition of control (100%) of lic corp. by Forward Communications Corporation thru purchase of stock from Rhinelander News Publishing Company, John C. Sturtevant et al	GRANTED eff.	10-20-67 10-25-67
OCT 10 1967		Atty - McKenna & Wilkinson		
BZ- Rec'd	8/13/69	Direct Meas. Atty: Thomas N. Frohock Engr: Robert A. Jones, LaGrange, Ill.	RETURNED: Sect. I	8/19/69 no

Form BC-121
September 1969

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KAUKAUNA, WISCONSIN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4597 R & F PN Recd. PRESS OCT 9 1970	8-1-70 9-2-70 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE James R. Cooke, Atty. (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	11-25-70
BTC-6699 R & F FEE PD: \$250 #011989 CODE 053 (Form 316) ALSO SEE: KVGB, WVLE etc OCT 26 1971	10-8-71 10-14-71	Voluntary transfer of control of Forward Communications Corporation (parent corp) from The Record Herald Company, O.C. Lemke, et al, TO John C. Sturtevant, William F. McCormick, and Stanley F. Staples, Jr., Voting Trustees Atty - McKenna & Wilkinson	GRANTED EFF:	12-6-71 12-27-71
BR-4597 R & F P.N. PRESS	8-1-73 9-4-73 9-4-73 19 SEP 1973	Renewal of License Atty.: Thomas N. Frohock	GRANTED	11-28-73

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Kaukauna, Wisconsin

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-8163 R & F FEE PD: \$250 #317176 CODE 047 (Form 316) ALSO SEE FM & TV WMTV & KBAU-TV JUN 24 1974	6-18-74 6-18-74	Voluntary assignment of license to FORWARD COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION Atty - McKenna, Wilkinson & Cragun	GRANTED EFF: 7-2-74	6-28-74
BR-4597 R & F P.N. Press SEP 17 1976	8-1-76 8-2-76 8-2-76	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: Thomas N. Frohock (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) AMENDED 10-29-76 re: EEO AMENDED 11-11-76 re: engineering	GRANTED	11-23-76
BR 790801 ZQ PRESS OCT 5 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE W. Kennedy, Keane, Atty.	GRANTED	11-30-79

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file. History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form – 3" by 5" filing cards – for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). The History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

